



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re. Appln: Thomas W. Tripp  
Serial No.: 09/412,020  
Filed: October 6, 1999  
For: SOFTWARE SYSTEM FOR REAL MONETARY INSTRUMENTS  
Examiner: James S. Bergin  
Group Art Unit: 3624  
Attorney: Gerald E. Helget  
Attorney Docket No.: 33160.7  
Additional Fees: Charge to Deposit Account 023732

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action, mailed September 27, 2002.  
Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Office Action required Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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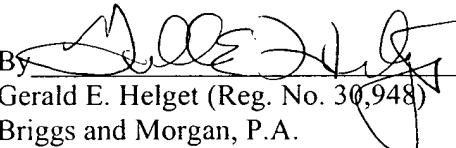
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Applicant hereby elects claims 1-2, which are drawn to a data processing method for introducing an asset-backed fixed income security that will function as a master real currency unit with a constant value, classified in class 705, subclass 35.

A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for the third month is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 1/27/03

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